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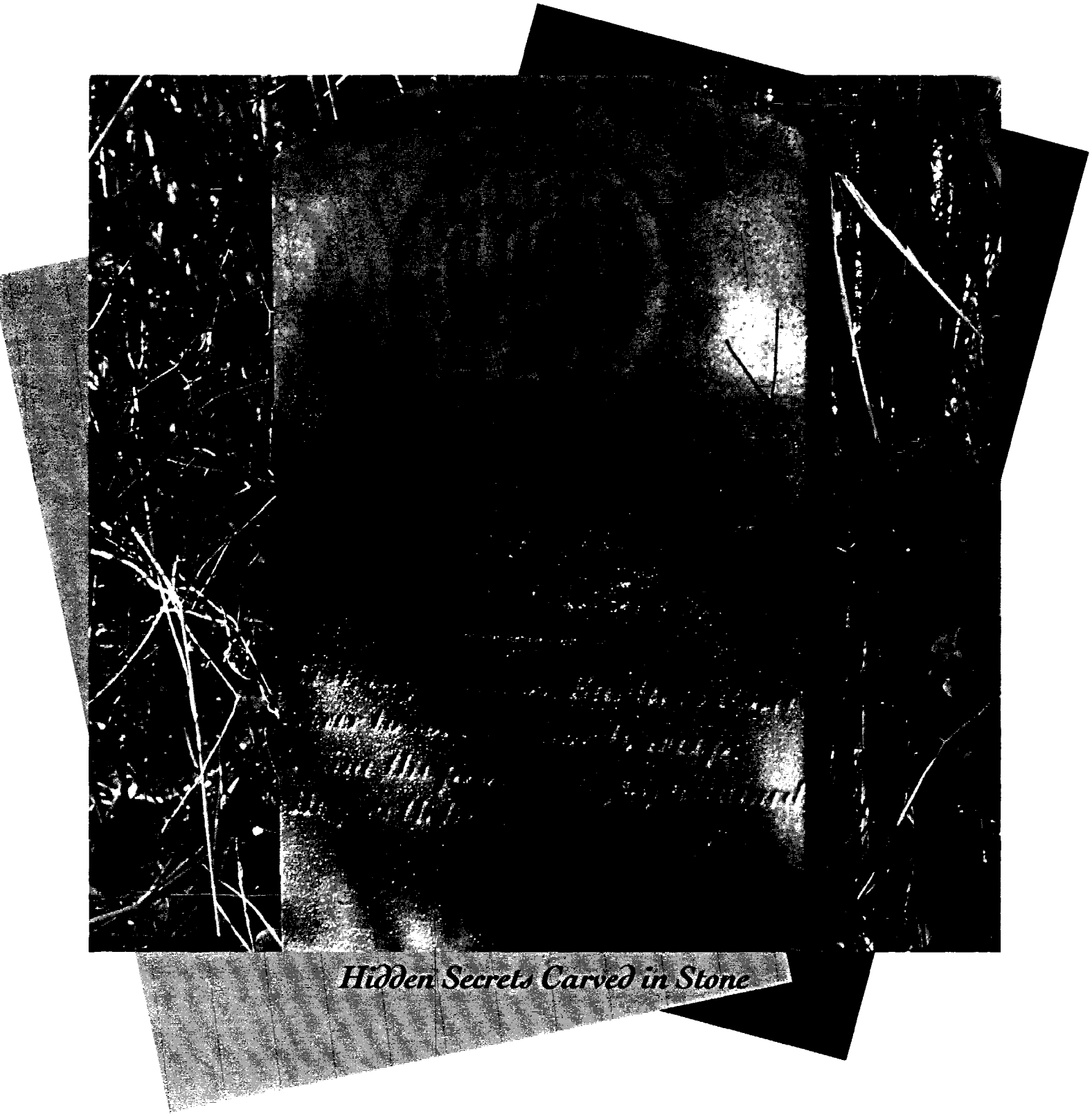

Hidden Secrets Carved in Stone

Director's Dialogue

from Becky Miller

GENTLE READERS,

This issue marks the first in the Nabb Research Center's new twice yearly longer format. As you have noticed, in January we embarked upon a monthly one-sheet newsletter as a marketing component in our strategic planning and so our members could easily stay abreast of activities concerning the Center. Twice per year members and newsletter subscribers only will receive the larger edition. The monthly news sheets allow us to expand awareness of our activities to a broad audience but yet keeping the longer articles exclusive to our dear members, without whose support we would be in dire straits indeed.

With the advent of the Gilchrest appropriation last summer, we were able to hire additional staff and I think those of you who frequent the Center have seen the improvements and increase in service. Cres Long has written an update on the digital history project for you. I'm trying not to be too impatient until we all get to see where those tracts and people were! It's going to be great, folks.

We've been so fortunate this fiscal year in receiving the Conservation Assessment Plan (CAP) award, a folklore assessment arranged by board member Dr. Polly Stewart and a large grant from the Maryland Historical Trust. We are looking forward to a fruitful year and expanding our services and activities. We are also fortunate to be one of the Perdue-Kresge partners with the Salisbury University Foundation.

If you wonder what some Nabb staffers do on the weekend, read our article "Carved in Stone," a light-hearted look at the very serious historical preservation activity of tombstone documentation.

The Nabb Research Center is here to provide service to the community and region through expertise and professional heritage management. Let us know what you want to read about and how we can help you!

Membership Information

The Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture is your passport to Delmarva's past. Membership includes unlimited Nabb Research Center visits. You will also receive the *ShoreLine* newsletter, Nabb Research Center bookmark and membership card. Plus, your membership entitles you to receive valuable discounts on Nabb Research Center publications, educational courses, advance sign-up for events and recognition in the Salisbury University Foundation annual report. Memberships run on the calendar year, and the following levels of support are available:

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On the cover

The weeping willow was a sign of sorrow and mourning. Read about a recent search for the tombstone of Benjamin W. Laird on page 12.

Submissions

Anyone interested in submitting an article to the *Shoreline* newsletter should send their item to the newsletter editor as follows:

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or send an e-mail to **jnjeffery@salisbury.edu.**

We also welcome your comments and suggestions.

The Five Stages Of Genealogy

1. Denial
   "I'm NOT related to you."
2. Anger
   "I'm related to YOU?"
3. Bargaining
   "Okay, I'm related to you ... but only by marriage."
4. Depression
   "You mean I am related to you?"
5. Acceptance
   "I guess I am related to you."

Sent in by Lynne Rentschler

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Monday 9:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.
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Upcoming Events

At the Nabb Research Center

Tuesday, March 12, 7 p.m.

Women's History Month Lecture

SU History Professor James McCallops presents the topic "Women and the Vote: An Anniversary of Struggle" featuring an examination of the women's suffrage movement and early women's voting patterns. Free and open to the public.

Saturday, April 27, 1 p.m.

Maryland Archaeology Month Lecture

Dr. Elizabeth Ragan presents the lecture "Tales Untold: Where is Archaeology on the Lower Shore?" This presentation will address the neglected state of archaeology and archaeological research on the Lower Shore and what plans are underway to uncover new sites. Free and open to the public.

September 20-21

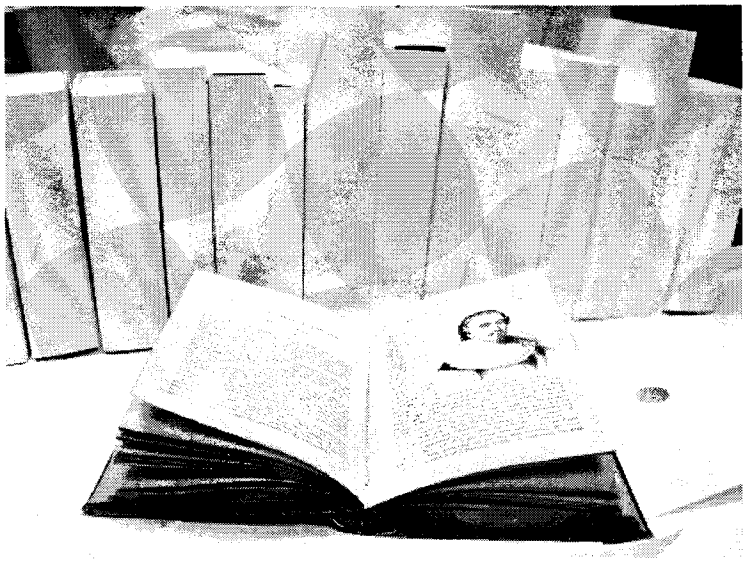
Tracing Your Delmarva Ancestors Seminar

Nabb Research Center and the Lower Delmarva Genealogical Society co-host the seminar, "Tracing Your Delmarva Ancestors." The Maryland Genealogical Society is sponsoring the seminar, which will be held at Salisbury University. Turn to page 19 for a registration form. For complete information about the seminar, please visit the Calendar of Events icon on the Nabb Research Center Web site at http://nabbhistory.salisbury.edu.

Yesterday's News

by Rebecca Brooks, Nabb Research Center Archivist

One of the best parts of my job is the time I get to spend going through the collections, discovering all the hidden treasures. As I familiarize myself with the materials here at the Nabb Research Center, I find favorites which I enjoy spending time looking through. Over the last several weeks, I have had the opportunity to peruse the varied materials of the Wicomico Historical Society donation to the Nabb Research Center. To prevent further deterioration and to allow better access, the Wicomico Historical Society recently donated several hundred archival items to the Nabb Research Center. But before I get to the "joy of being an archivist" I must wade through some of the more tedious tasks so that our patrons and students may enjoy these items for a long time to come.



Phase boxes–used to protect books from additional damage

With the Wicomico Historical Society Collection the first three weeks were spent simply inventorying the items in the collection. Once that was complete, several hours were consumed with determining the specific conservation and preservation needs of the collection. There are hundreds of documents, more than 50 books, several family bibles, at least four scrapbooks and numerous newspapers, all of which require my attention.

At the Nabb Center, there are many steps a collection must take before reaching its final resting place on the shelves of our repository. After an initial assessment, in which I look for items in critical danger, the materials are inventoried. The level of detail for the inventory (and later cataloging) is determined by the material itself–if there are several items similar in both content and form, they will be treated as a group instead of individually for the inventory. Conversely, if the materials are varied in form and subject matter, a more detailed list will be made. An initial assessment of the Wicomico Historical Society Collection showed no materials in critical danger of disintegrating or completely falling apart. The inventory listed about 1,000 items and will serve as a drawing board for the arrangement of the collection.

As an archivist I try to keep materials in much the same arrangement as I receive them, holding strong to the tenet that the order of the creator has meaning. Often times, there is no original order or the collection is a result of the assemblage of many materials from varied sources. In these instances, the collection can be arranged by form, such as books, photographs, manuscripts, etc. or by subject matter, or chronologically by time period in the creator(s) life. This collection seems best suited to arrangement by subject matter, as the collection has materials covering a vast range of topics, some of which include education and business in Wicomico County, the Wicomico Woman's Club, Salisbury Bicentennial, the United Fund of Wicomico County, Col. Lynn Perry and the Twilley Seed Company.

Before the Historical Society materials are placed in proper storage, some simple preservation must take place–for example the removal of staples, metal paper clips and acidic folders and enclosures. Although very time-consuming these steps are vital to extend the life of the collection materials. Items such as photographs are removed from acidic albums (often those with sticky or magnetic pages) and placed in clear Mylar sleeves, which allow for easy viewing without the worry of fingerprints or acidic residue on the prints. Larger inherently

A page of the deteriorating Dorman Bride's Book

Photographs enclosed in Mylar sleeves to prevent further fingerprints

acidic items, such as scrapbooks and newspapers, are often interleaved with acid-free paper to reduce the deterioration of the items. Books, not added to the stacks in the Nabb Research Center's reading room, will be specially wrapped in "phase boxes," a type of custom enclosure specially made for each book, to reduce wear on the book's cover and pages. Certain items require different types of storage. For example, photographs are best preserved in a much cooler temperature than paper-based materials and therefore should be removed to a cold storage area. Newspapers, ledger books and other oversized materials need larger boxes and are stored separately from legal or letter sized materials.

After all items have been properly arranged and rehoused, they are numbered and entered into the Nabb Research Center's database. Most time-consuming is the entering of the subjects into the database. After all items have been added, researchers can search by any of a number of keywords to find the materials.

So what was the treasure I found most enjoyable in this collection? A bride's book—a scrapbook of wedding photos, invitations, announcements clipped from society columns, flowers, ribbons and other ephemera of Salisbury area ceremonies. The book itself is in bad shape, its acidic pages crumbling when touched, taped-in photos and cards unhinging and dried flowers disintegrating. Although the book needs much attention, it is a priceless resource of early 20th century social culture. I always like to imagine what it was like in these days gone by and now these memories are preserved in such a way—thanks to the more mundane part of my job—that we may all enjoy them for a long time to come.

Web News!

by Iris Powell

There are many creative ways to verify the location or even confirm the existence of persons or families when researching family history. When the usual references to identities in primary sources such as census, tax lists or land records fail, it may be useful to investigate other instances where missing family ancestors signed off on local or regional civic efforts. One such instance of this participation is the list of subscribers to the Charter of 1782 of Washington College, Chestertown, MD, which launched the only private and independent college on the Eastern Shore, the first College in the new nation.

"The creation of Washington College as the First College chartered in the nation after our Declaration of Independence was the act of courageous optimism. In 1782, the British armies still occupied New York City, and George Washington was commanding the Continental Army from his temporary headquarters in New Jersey. Even though the battle of Yorktown was over, it was far from certain what the final outcome of the war would be. But George Washington, William Smith and other founders of Washington College were optimists who were committed to building a new kind of free society. They launched Washington College because they believed fervently that education was the bulwark on which freedom must rest if it is to be perpetuated" (excerpt from a Washington College publication).

The Nabb Research Center Web site has created a series of pages which lists the subscriptions to Washington College in 1782 from Dorchester, Somerset and Worcester counties, MD, and the amount of each subscription in "Pounds specie, or value as per law."

Our site also includes contact information for the Washington College commemorative events to be held in 2002. Look for that long-lost ancestor from this list of patriots from the link in the table at the bottom of our home page, http://nabbhistory.salisbury.edu/NabbHomePage.htm. Washington College's Web address is http://www.washcoll.edu.

American Origins Update

by Creston Long

The American Origins digital history project, an ongoing initiative to map 17th and early 18th century Somerset County land tracts, continues to make significent progress. The team has begun the process of linking data in the Microsoft Access database to land tracts which are represented in GIS maps. Mapping the Mount Vernon district has proven more difficult than we originally anticipated, but a new software program has enabled Aaron Horner, the GIS technician, to drastically accelerate the process. With all of the original land patents for Mount Vernon through 1750 already in GIS, it is now a matter of inputting the data into the database and then developing a means to showcase this combination of maps and data on the Internet.

DJ Dauses, the student intern computer programmer, and Mike Dondzila, one of our history graduate students, have been working closely with Professor Mike Scott of the Geography Department to understand the process of linking the database with the GIS maps. When this process is complete, it will enable the GIS software to create layers of maps which in turn will reflect various patterns such as population concentration, the geographic distribution of wealth and societal mobility.

Additionally and perhaps most importantly, the Nabb Research Center is poised to enter into a collaborative effort with the Maryland State Archives. In our on-going work with John Lyon, creator of the Lyon Tract Maps, it has become apparent that the Nabb Research Center and Maryland State Archives would both benefit by combining our efforts to map Old Somerset. Over the next couple of months the Nabb Research Center and the Archives will formalize this collaborative arrangement, hopefully enabling the American Origins concept to grow and to gain significant exposure within the state and region. As a first step in this collaboration, Aaron Horner spent a couple of days in mid-February at the Archives working with Lyon and Archives staff to help coordinate mapping efforts. As this attempt to work with the Maryland State Archives progresses, we will keep the Nabb Research Center membership apprised of the arrangement.

Student Article

Ambrose Dixon: A Biographical Sketch

by Chris Abraham

The life and times of Ambrose Dixon, late of Somerset County, MD, were times of high excitement interspersed amongst the more mundane aspects of 17th century life in Virginia and Maryland.

Ambrose Dixon's birth date is unknown. A passenger listing of immigrants to Virginia lists his arrival in Northampton County, sponsored by Richard Bayly, as having been recorded in 1649. Bayly received a 700 acre headright for transporting Dixon and 13 others to Northampton County. Dixon's country of origin is unknown. Dixon's death, however, is known. Somerset County Records say that he "died and was burred at the meeting house in Anemessex the 12th day of Aprill Annoq Dom One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty and Seven".

Ambrose and Stephen Horsley were granted 600 acres of land in Northampton County for transporting 12 persons into the colony. One of those 12 was Mary Dixon, wife of Ambrose. While the year of this patent is unknown, it can be assumed to be some time in 1652 as that is when Mary Dixon is known to have come to Northampton County. When Dixon moved from Virginia into Maryland in 1663, he brought with him his entire family including his wife Mary, son Thomas, daughters Mary, Sarah Elizabeth and Grace, as well as Cornelius Ware, Daniel More, Thomas Williams and Margaret Franklin. These people were likely servants. Thomas Williams was definitely a servant as the record states, "servant to Ambrose Dixon died and was buryd att Anamessix in ye month of Februray" in 1667.

Dixon was known to be a caulker, a surveyor, an attorney and a planter. When Col. Edmund Scarburgh was called to give a deposition in 1663 after he tried to claim more land for Virginia by riding through southern Marylanders' farms and bidding they swear allegiance to Virginia, he wrote about Dixon's profession as well as his religion. He described Dixon as "a caulker by profession that lived among the lower parts, was often in question for his Quaking professions, removing to Anamessecks, there to Act what hee could not bee here permitted, Is a prater of nonsense, and much led by the spirit of ignorance, for which hee is followed." Not only has Col. Scarburgh defined Dixon as a ship's caulker, but also he has also revealed him to be a Quaker. This is likely why Dixon refused to swear allegiance to Virginia as Col. Scarburgh wished, Quakers cannot swear oaths. As well as a caulker, Dixon was a surveyor. He and four others were appointed "surveyors for the High Waves" in 1666. Stickler for work that he was, Dixon also appeared as an attorney in a 1667 case where he successfully defended Thomas Price (will executor of Will Taylor) from being petitioned out of 524 pounds of tobacco. Edward Martingdale named Dixon his attorney the following year. Seemingly drifting into retirement in his final years, Dixon's will identified him as a planter.

In the public realm, other than as a surveyor of highways, Dixon was elected to the Maryland Legislature in 1671 but did not sit. Although no reason is given for his never sitting on the legislature, it can be assumed it was because Dixon's Quaker beliefs preclude him swearing oaths. It seems as though Dixon was a popular man. Despite being a Quaker he was appointed a surveyor and a legislator. It would not be until the beginning of the 1690s that Protestants forbade Quakers from holding office at all.

Ambrose Dixon was engaged in myriad court appearances during his lifetime, most interesting of which was the time he spent as a rogue Indian fighter under Col. Scarburgh in 1651. Under Col. Scarburgh, Dixon and numerous other men (including Dixon's sponsor into Virginia, Richard Bayly) gathered together in a troop of roughly 50 men and "shot at Indians, slashed and cut their bowls, took Indians prisoner, and bound one of them with a chain." Col. Scarburgh and his troops were ordered arrested and made to appear before the court in James City for their actions. Once more appearing as a very angry man, Dixon appeared in court again in 1677 to answer for having chose to "openly & violently by force & armes & Divers threatening abusive speeches withstand and oppose ye said undersheriffe" when the undersheriff tried to collect tobacco as payment of Dixon's taxes. Less dramatic (and less violent) appearances in court for Dixon include the time he spent sitting on juries and when he appeared to name his friend George Hasfurt as his attorney in 1670. The court awarded him 300 pounds of tobacco out of the estate of Francis Morgan and was also ordered to administrate over the estate of the deceased George Richardson in 1654. In the same year it was ordered based on a judgment that Dixon pay Col. Scarburgh 470 pounds of tobacco.

This picture, captioned "Log-Cabin of Poor Whites," first appeared in Harper's New Monthly Magazine *in May 1879. The picture was part of an article about the Eastern Shore titled "A Peninsular Canaan."*

The will of Ambrose Dixon reveals much about his family. Dixon lived to see his daughter Elizabeth grown and married to Robert Dukes. Dixon bequeathed her a slave and horse. Dixon managed to live long enough to see the birth of his grandson Thomas Potter. Dixon placed a good deal of faith in education, as he wishes in his will that Thomas be "put to booke there to learne reading and writing and arithmetic." This sort of importance being placed on education is not surprising coming from a Quaker, who would have thought education extremely important. Dixon goes on to bequeath his son-in-law Edmund Beauchamp a cow and a calf as well as a horse, and then gives a female slave and her future children to his wife's son from a former marriage. One of the most interesting parts of this will is the care that Dixon puts into seeing that his wife Mary does not get cheated out of anything left to her. She is to be maintained by her sons for the rest of her life, and Dixon said that his sons would forfeit any inheritance if they failed to do as he requested. For Dixon to provide so directly for his wife and to threaten exclusion of his sons if they fail to do as he requested shows his marriage was based on love and not the necessity that many marriages of the period had their foundations set upon.

The Probate inventory included provides interesting insights into Dixon's life. Several items stick out as peculiar, notably the 24 chairs he owned. Most likely this proliferation of "turkey workd" and "old leather chaires" can be accounted for by Dixon's religion. When Col. Scarburgh made his deposition in court concerning his activities in Maryland, he said that Dixon is "a receiver of many quakers, his house the place of their resort." Obviously, Dixon held prayer meetings in his home and thus had the need for such an unusually large amount of chairs. Another odd detail of his probate is that it shows his bed to be in the main hall of the house, but all of the other beds are in the upstairs "chambers." Dixon's bed could have been located downstairs because of his stature as a public figure. Because his will was made out a very few days before his death, it is possible he knew he was dying and had his bed taken downstairs where he could receive visitors. It is also possible that Dixon's bed was located downstairs because he was so enfeebled in his final days that he could not climb stairs.

As stated before, Dixon was a Quaker, although probably not a terribly devout one. Perhaps he missed the meeting concerning the shunning of violence. Indeed it is odd that Dixon would have gone with the party under Col. Scarburgh to slaughter Indians. It is possible he felt indebted toward Richard Bayly, who was also amongst the party fighting the Indians and who was responsible for bringing Dixon to Virginia two years or less earlier. Or, perhaps he simply felt he was doing God's will.

Ambrose Dixon's life was extremely diverse. Rather than spending it quietly, he engaged in different professions and with others started an Indian uprising. As a Quaker his life was a contradiction, and as a father and husband he cared deeply for the welfare of his family.

Editor's Note - All of the resources used in researching this paper came from the Nabb Research Center. The author, Chris Abraham, is a Salisbury University undergraduate and history major. Abraham was the recipient of the Nabb Research Center's Miles Stevenson Student History Prize, made possible by member Mrs. Marelyn Zipser, for the fall 2001 semester. Abraham prepared this biographical sketch for his history proseminar course, and we thank him for allowing us to reprint it in the *Shoreline*.

Researching in London

by Jean Merson

We are all familiar with the Nabb Research Center's excellent selection of court records, land records, wills and inventories of our predecessors on the Eastern Shore. But how did these same people present their needs to the Crown and to the Archbishop of Canterbury? What tales of the misdeeds of Marylanders did Gov. Berkeley send by sail for the king's eyes only? Did our ancestors want the king to know how much tobacco was actually taxable? One way to find out is to visit London, where most of the original Colonial transmissions sent west to east are still available to the trans-Atlantic researcher.

The most valuable time I spent researching in London occurred before I ever boarded the plane. All three research facilities that I utilized (British Library, Lambeth Palace and Public Records) have catalogue information online. Perusing a printed copy of these catalogues is a relatively painless method of enduring the five hour flight across the Atlantic and arms the researcher with the confidence to request specific documents by call number.

My first stop was the British Library, a short walk from St. Pancras Church at the corner of Woburn and Euston. Because of my online introduction to the British Library, I was armed with a photo I.D., a letter of introduction from Ray Thompson, chair of the SU History Department and Nabb Board of Directors vice chair, and my most recent grades from Salisbury University. The library issued me a new photo I.D. and sent me upstairs to the Manuscript Room. (I had checked all of my personal possessions in the locker room and carried only the library's clear plastic bag with my research materials in it.)

Jean Merson with costumed guide at Hampton Court.

After filling out the request form, so that my selections could be "fetched", I sat down at the nearest desk to await their arrival. But I had already committed a faux pax! A librarian whispered to me that I was sitting at an Illuminated Manuscripts only desk, and he ushered me to an appropriate desk.

My four selections arrived: Stowe's *Historical Papers, 1628-1651*, Harley's *Papers Relating to the Tobacco Trade*, Sloane's *Tracts on the East and West Indies* and Egerton's *Papers Relating to the English Colonies in America and the West Indies, 1627-1799*. One quickly learns not to say "Colonial" without at least mentioning a hemisphere! I spent five hours there marking pages that I wanted to copy with white slips of paper provided by the staff. The big surprise came when I learned that the copying charge was £16.50 (about $26) for one to 10 pages in each volume! Because I had the most slips of paper in Egerton, I opted to print from that book. I had lists of persons sent to the West Indies copied and one list of ships. Luckily, I had been transcribing and writing short synopses of the material I had found in the other three books.

The next morning I crossed the Thames to visit Lambeth Palace, where the records of the Archbishop of Canterbury are kept. I wanted to view the SPG (Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts) Papers and the Fulham Papers. After presenting my credentials, I was led into the reading room, where yet another photo I.D. was issued to me. The Palace has a microfilm machine that will print, but no Xerox machine. Consequently, I made 45 copies of the Fulham Papers, which were microfilmed, and transcriptions of SPG Papers that caught my eye. One of the more interesting copies that I made included the lists of the names of slaves baptized in All-Hallows Parish. Fortunately, the microfilm print fee here was only one pound for the first copy and 25 pence for each additional copy.

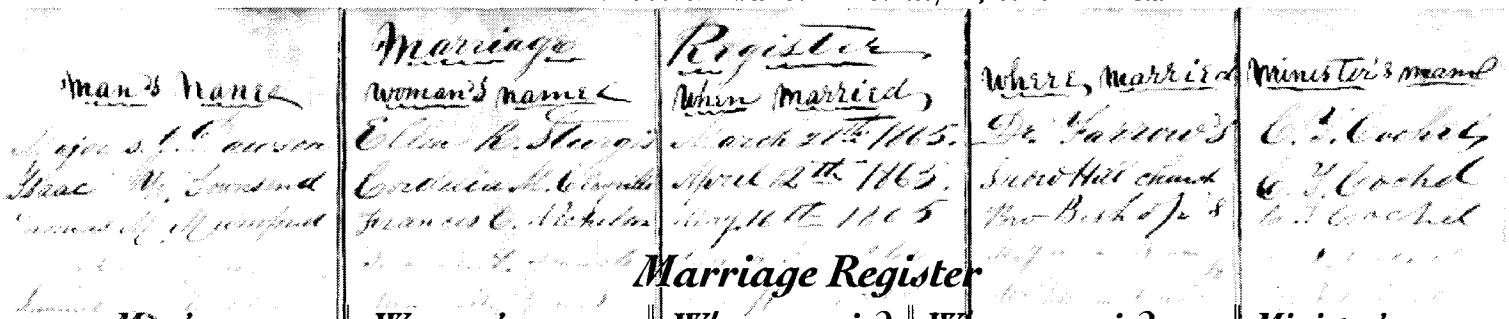
I had already planned to visit Public Records in Kew Gardens the following morning, where I received yet another reader's I.D. card. The staff at Public Records conducts a half hour tour of the facility, which has many levels and many instructions to follow. When I'd found the number of the resource that I wanted fetched, I simply typed it, along with my desk number and reader I.D. number, into one of the many computer terminals. I checked the computer periodically to see if the document had been sent to the pick-up desk. At Public Records I made my most interesting find. It was a letter from Gov. Seymour to Queen Anne's secretary confirming that the Great Seal of Maryland, stolen from St. Mary's City in the 1643 Ingles Rebellion, had been sent back to England in pieces. When I returned home, I called Historic St. Mary's City to confirm that the whereabouts of the Seal had been unknown for nearly four centuries. According to Dr. Henry Miller of St. Mary's City, "We just hoped that an oysterman would dredge the Great Seal up some day."

At all of the research facilities that I visited a great deal of identification was required, many forms had to be filled out and materials were brought to the researcher. Rules were stringent and guards enforced the rules. Ordering materials and picking them up took a great deal of time, particularly in Public Records. Both the British Library and Public Records were quite regimented and bustling with patrons. Lambeth Palace was altogether more relaxed and comfortable. In spite of the greater security measures involved in researching in London, the results are worth the effort.

The author, Jean Merson, is a graduate student in the SU history program. Merson visited London in January. She is currently employed as an instructor of English at Wor-Wic Community College. Mother of 11 children, Merson resides in Crisfield, MD, with her family.

Snow Hill Circuit Methodist Church Marriage Register

The following excerpt was transcribed from "A List of the Members of Quarterly Conference in the Snow Hill Circuit" of the Methodist Church. This transcribed marriage register is but one record in this lengthy book which contains various types of church records. A photocopy of the entire book has been placed in archival collection at the Nabb Research Center. The book is owned by Bates United Methodist Church in Snow Hill, MD, pastored by the Reverend Dale Evans, and Trinity United Methodist Church in Newark, MD, pastored by Rev. Roy Keene. The book was made available to the Nabb Research Center courtesy of Joanne D. Mason.



Marriage Register

Man's name	*Woman's name*	*When married*	*Where married*	*Minister's name*
Major S.J. Dawson	Ellen R. Sturgis	March 28th 1865	Dr. Farrow's	C.T. Cochel
Isaac W. Townsend	Cordelia M. Clayville	April 12th 1865	Snow Hill Church	C.T. Cochel
Thomas M. Townsend	Frances C. Nichelson	May 16th 1865	Bro. Bishop's	C.T. Cochel
James C. Griffen	Sara M.H. Smack	Jan. 4th 1866	Mr. Gary Brumly	C.T. Cochel
Samuel M. Coston	Anna M. Jones	Jan. 11th 1866	Mr. Ephram Jones	C.T. Cochel
James Masetts	Margaret Birch	Feb. 12th 1866	in the Sea Side	C.T. Cochel
James H. Layton	Sarah Hudson	Feb. 14th 1866	under the oak	C.T. Cochel
W.H. Aydelotte	Lizzie Brittingham	Feb. 28th 1866	New Ark	C.T. Cochel
James H. Smack	Gertrude Colbourne	Feb. 5th 1867	Brides Fathers	J.D. Ringer
Robert Parsons	Mary Ellen Godfrey	Feb. 13th 1867	Samuel Godfreys	J.D. Ringer
William E Bowen	Lettie Cropper	July 24th 1867	The brides home	John D. Ringer
Josiah F. Stevens	Amanda J. Farlow	July 14th 1869	At brides home	W.D. Litsinger
George W. Gordey	Sarah C. Duncan	August 26th 1869	" " "	" " "
James E. Stanford	Mary Elizabeth Bowden	July 6th 1870	" Thomas Rounds'	James T. Lassell
Charles Howard	Susan Ann Watson	October 12th 1870	" Snow Hill, Md.	" " "
Joseph D. Aydelotte	Leah Jane Chericks	Jany 12th 1871	" Nesleyville	" " "
John Pollitt	Leah Jane Ellis	Jany 25th 1871	" Bride's father's in S. Hill	" " "
William Collins	Anna Brittingham	Jany 25th 1871	" Minister's residence	" " "
John F. Powell	Mary E. Ellis	February 9th 1871	" Bride's father's	" " "
Robert W. Townsend	Susan Bowden	Feb. 28th 1871	" Bride's father in Newark	" " "
John H. Downes	Emma J. Bowen	August 1st 1871	" Bride's Mother Newark	" " "
Ambrose Townsend	Parthenia A. Ward	August 2nd 1871	near Bennett's Mills	" " "
George W. Phipps	Mary A. Ellis	Sept. 20th 1871	at Bride's Father's near Snow Hill	" " "
Jacob J. Brittingham	Maria Katherine Pruitt	Dec. 20th 1871	at residence of bride's father	by Rev. T. Lassell
James R. Townsend	Cemenxine Purnell	January 18th 1872	" " " brother	" " "
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Letters to the Little Ones

by Gordon Evans Wood Sr.

You too can get hooked—and it happens before you know it. *Letters to the Little Ones* started out simply as an attempt to learn a little about Great Grampop Alonzo Evans' forbears. It ended up as an over 300-page book for my grandchildren and others.

How did it happen? It was quick, easy and almost terminal. Sussex County Will Books in Georgetown quickly brought me from Alonzo to John A. to Clemeth to Zadoc to Daniel (died in 1800) to—a dead end. Off-and-on for almost two decades, the search was fruitless. Making a very long story short, I realized I had compiled a lot of information and no answers. But, the answer was there and I did not realize it until I compiled everything I knew about a Daniel Evans, including a very obscure and fairly recently found (by accident) notation in an inventory of another Sussex Countian which addressed a John Evans "(brother to Daniel)."

Simple, identify the John Evans referred to in the notation. Well, there were more contemporary, local John Evanses than one could imagine. Compiling everything I could about these Johns, I hoped, would quickly identify the John and, hence, Daniel. Wrong again! And that is part of the charm—and frustration—of family history quests.

After a thorough review of a small mountain of information on the various Johns, I believe I identified the right John and, therefore, Daniel. But, I could not prove it. Daniel and his brother John were the son of John and Catherine Wharton Evans of **North Petherton**, today's Bethany Beach. My conclusion relied on the "preponderance of the evidence" and absence of conflicting evidence. With the right John and his father identified, it was a simple matter to take the line back three more generations to the Walter Evans who married Mary Powell, the daughter of Walter Powell of **Greenfields** at the mouth of the Pocomoke River.

Having done so much work, it seemed the only responsible thing was to write a report on my search and conclusions. If my conclusion were correct, a report would help others. If incorrect, it would serve as a headstart for others. I also wanted a growing roster of grandchildren to have easy access if they someday want to know more about their family, so I wrote a letter to my grandchildren to accompany the report. Then came more letters to individual grandchildren on what ancestor's lives were or might have been like. And these required more research! And this led to more letters and more curiosities to be researched and more unexpected sources. Where to stop? I had no discipline, and subjects ranged from "clothing from the ground up" through growth in Baltimore Hundred, schooners on the Indian River, family involvement in the Civil War, my memories of recent generations, and on and on.

I really realized I had the makings of a real book for my grandchildren late in the game. *Letters to the Little Ones* became a compendium of Evans, Hall, Dazey/Daisey and Green family history, a local history (Baltimore Hundred in Sussex County, DE), and the letters with wide-ranging subjects to the special little ones, my grandchildren. Over 300 pages and over 400 footnotes later, *Letters ...* is almost ready to be printed.

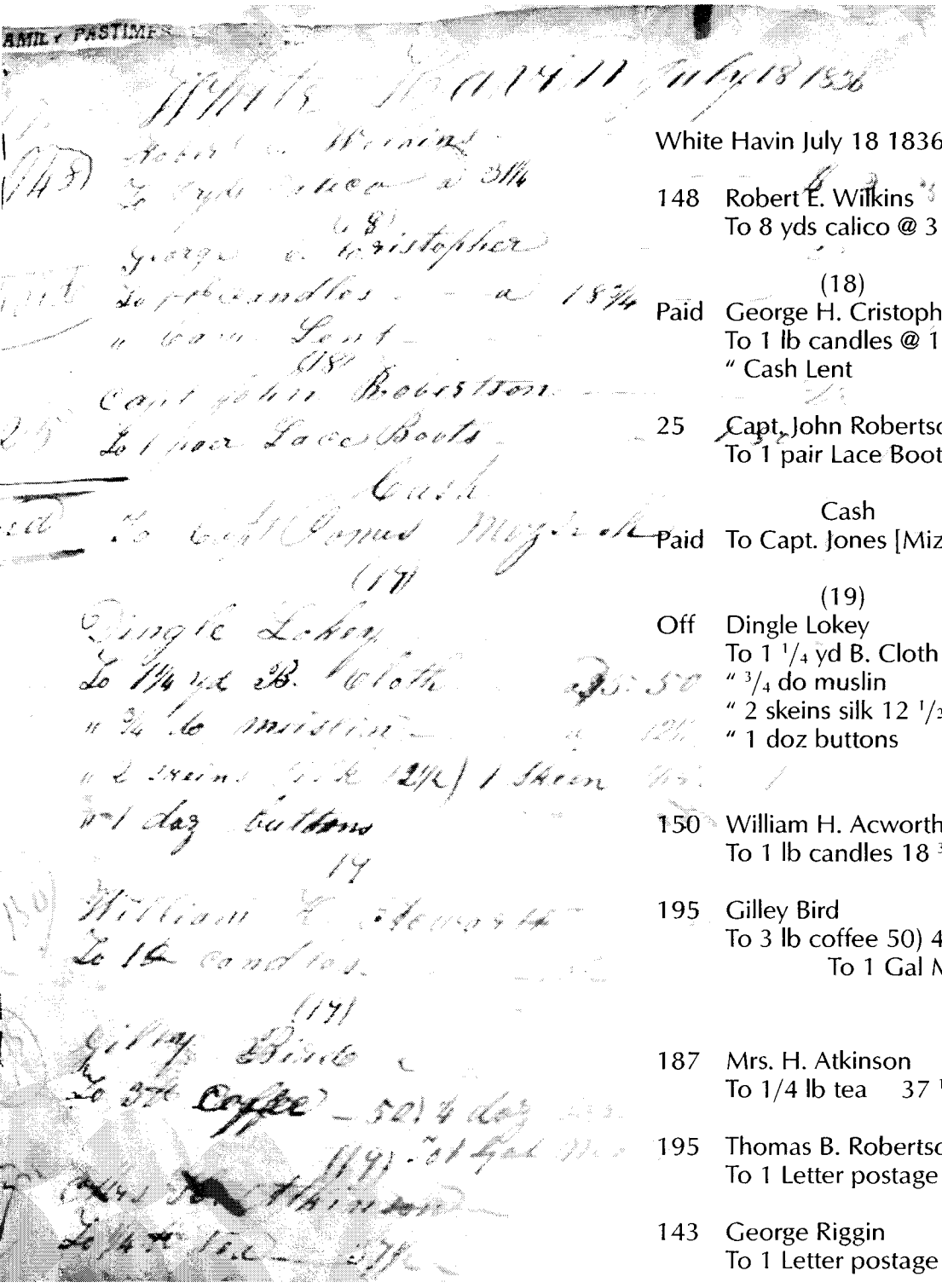
It was fun. I met so many helpful and very nice people. It kept me busy, and I wondered how I ever had time to work and have a career. I became familiar with wonderful resources—the Nabb Center being the best. I ended up being on the board—and chairman.

Little did I know when I visited the Sussex County Courthouse so long ago that I would so enjoy a new avocation and end up writing a book for my grandchildren—and others who in some way attach to the families or the Eastern Shore.

The author, Gordon Wood, is the chair of the Nabb Research Center Board of Directors. Wood, an attorney who also has a degree in chemical engineering, spent his professional career working in both the public and private sectors. He has worked as the design and development manager of the rocket motor on the Minuteman ICBM, a minority counsel in the U.S. House of Representatives, vice president of governmental relations at Olin Corporation and deputy director of the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program for the Army Corps of Engineers. Now retired, Wood resides in Ocean View, DE, with his wife Patricia.

We Need Your Support!

The following is a transcription of one of the pages from the Whitehaven store ledger of Marcellus Jones. The Nabb Research Center is actively seeking funds to use toward the conservation and preservation of this book which is in dangerously poor condition. The conservation work is estimated to cost $2,000. Although we have received several donations in the last few weeks, we still have a long way to go. Please mail your tax-deductible contribution made payable to Salisbury University Foundation to the Nabb Research Center, Attention: Whitehaven Ledger Fund, 1101 Camden Avenue, Salisbury, MD 21801.



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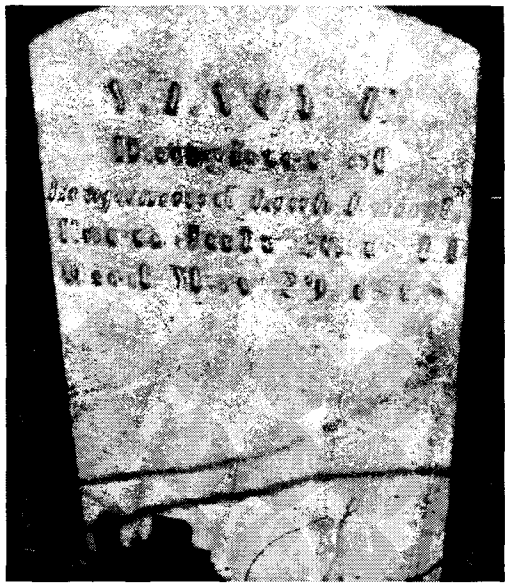
Transcriber's Note: The term "Dr" can be interpreted as debtor.

Carved in Stone

by Rebecca Miller

It is always a thrill when a forgotten family cemetery is found, but sometimes the thrill turns to puzzlement as with the tombstone of Benjamin W. Laird. For over a dozen years we had known that Benjamin Laird was buried somewhere up on Little Creek near St. Stephen's, MD, but no one seemed to know the exact whereabouts of the graveyard. To make a long story short, T. Aaron Horner of the Nabb Research Center, a Deal Island resident, Bob Shores, a Salisbury resident and a member of the Nabb Research Center, and Robert S. Fitzgerald, retired Somerset County educator, each made forays up to Little Creek a number of times in search of this cemetery. Aaron accidently stumbled across it on his way back from where he thought it may have been.



On 26 January, the three fellows, Becky Miller and Carolyn Fitzgerald, Bob Fitzgerald's wife, set out to see and record the information at the cemetery at Little Creek. We split into groups and fanned out through the woods and marsh area 20 minutes or so into the walk. After an hour of walking and doubting if Aaron indeed could find the graves again, Bob Shores gave a shout that he had found them. Unfortunately, Bob was on the other side of a gut and marsh from where the rest of us were. Bob Fitzgerald skipped across the hummocks in the marsh as lithe as a muskrat, making it appear an easy task. However, when Becky attempted the same, it was just a tad harder than it looked and at one point, whooping in distress, she slipped off a hummock and fell into the water. The water was only knee deep, but remember it was January, and Becky squished her way across the marsh to the two Bobs. Meanwhile, Aaron was wise and escorted Carolyn the long way around on dry land.

There were four tombstones found at the site: Benjamin W. Laird, Nancy E. Laird, Elisha J. Duncan and Thomas Shores. Becky had brought a container for water and a brush to clean the tombstones and set to work. Bob Fitzgerald thoroughly probed the site with a steel rod, searching for fallen stones, only to yield nothing. The odd thing about this site is that Benjamin Laird and Elisha Duncan's graves were adjoining; Nancy Laird was some 20 feet from those and Thomas Shores was yet another dozen feet from Nancy. The information was recorded from the tombstones by both Bob Shores and Becky Miller and Becky took the photos.

Normally, one can go home, insert the dates of persons found into their family history material and feel as if a good day's work was done. Yet this cemetery has proved to lead to more questions. Nabb donor John Herold of Tennessee, a descendant of Benjamin W. Laird, was excited to receive the digital photo but after a few e-mail exchanges with Becky, wrote back, "I still have a hard time swallowing that the Benjamin of the attached 1880 census, p 232B, has been deceased about 5 years at the time the census was taken."

Ruth T. Dryden's 1986 publication, *Cemetery Records of Somerset County*, shows Benjamin W. Laird died 7 March 1875, age 62. John Herold reported that Robert Laird Sr.'s spiral pad shows "Benj. W. Laird died Mar 7 1875 aged 24 yrs & 1 mo.," which is the correct information. John posited that the "age 62" in Ruth Dryden's book was believable for

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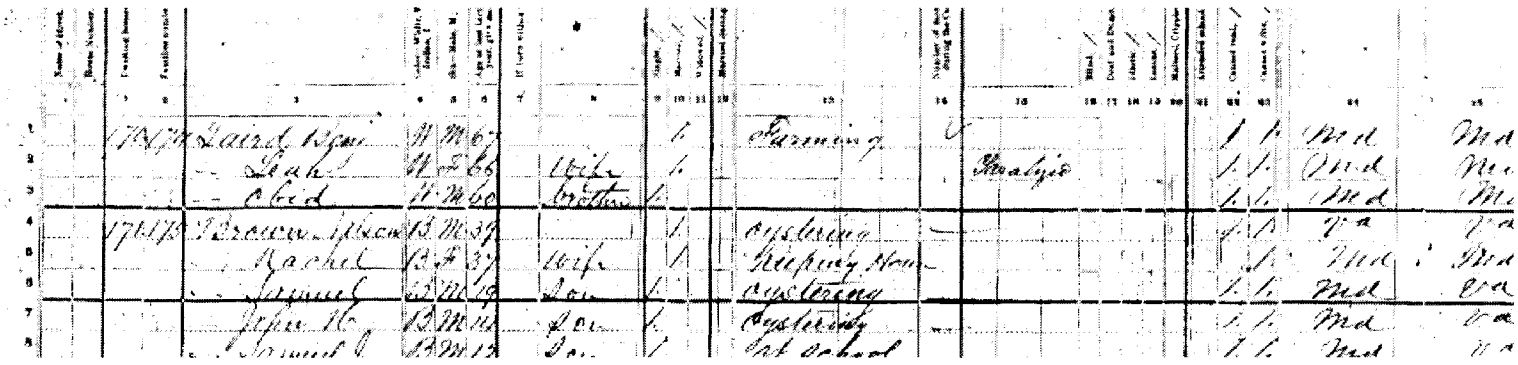


A Peninsular Canaan

The following excerpt is a reprint of a portion of a 16-page story that first appeared in the May 1879 issue of Harper's New Monthly Magazine. "A Peninsular Canaan" paints a vivid picture of 19th-century life on the Delmarva Peninsula. We were completely fascinated by this article and wanted to share it with our members. Although the world continues to grow and change, the fundamental character that makes the Eastern Shore a unique and special place has stayed the same for generations. If you are interested in viewing the entire article, visit the Harper's link on our Web site at http://nabbhistory.salisbury.edu.

Separated in a manner from the rest of the world, yet in such juxtaposition as to render it within easy reach, that peninsula bounded on the north and east by Delaware Bay, on the south and east by the Atlantic, and on the west by the Chesapeake Bay, containing the greater part of the State of Delaware, nine counties-about one-third-of Maryland, and two counties of Virginia, lies balmily luxuriating in peace and plenty. The mysterious flood of the Gulf Stream flows close enough to this beautiful shore to soften the humid climate to a mean temperature of 54° to 58° throughout the year, 74° to 77° in summer, 34° to 38° in winter. Figs and pomegranates flourish in the open air, with peaches, luscious as nowhere else in the world, apples, pears, melons, berries, and in short, all varieties of fruit growing in temperate and semi-tropical regions. Wheat, oats, corn and other cereals grow abundantly, vegetables yield a rich crop and forest trees of valuable timber-pine, cedar, cypress, and black and white oak-abound. Not only does the lightest labor secure a speedy and abundant return from this generous soil, but also nature, as though it were her chosen spot, has stocked it with a lavish supply of her special bounties. The waters teem with oysters, fish, terrapin, and crabs; the long stretches of marshy shore with wild fowl, and the inland fields, morasses and swamps with partridges, gray snipe and woodcock. With such a land so near us, the busy hum of the world's teeming life beating against its shores like its own Atlantic surges, while it lies quiet and tranquil, with its Italian climate and the fruitfulness of Normandy, supplying as it does a large part of the berries, one-third of the oysters, and nearly all the peaches to the New York markets, it is remarkable that so little is really known of it.

One of the earliest English discoverers on this continent described the outlying Chesapeake shores of this peninsula, and its natural features have but little changed since that early time. When New York City was a wilderness inhabited by wild deer and Manhattoes, while around Plymouth Rock all was still a virgin forest, Englishmen were growing tobacco, dredging oysters, and shooting wild fowl in this region. The vast tide of civilization has swept westward deluging the plains of Colorado, southward to the chaparrals of Texas, and northward to the frozen shores of Alaska, but has left the peninsula still clinging to old manners and customs, old modes of life and traditions, with a firm tenacity. This is especially true the further southward one travels in this region, where, with but few exceptions, the descendants of the earlier settlers still live, with but a small increase of outside population. Separated from the outside world by the broad waters of the Delaware and Chesapeake, connected only by a narrow isthmus fifteen miles wide with the body of the continent, one still finds here the easy-going old time life, the broad hospitality of our forefathers, the careless air of ancient gentility, just tempered by an aristocratic exclusiveness. So the peninsula lies winking at the hurly-burly of modern progress, but it begins nevertheless at last to feel dubiously the intestine stir of modern Yankee notions in the midst of its indolent life.

"Carved in Stone" *continued from the previous page*

someone born about 1813 and died 1875, who was aged 37 in the 1850 census, 44 in 1860, 67 in 1870 and still 67 in 1880. So now we have the tombstone of a Benjamin W. Laird born about February 1851 whose identity is unknown. The tombstone Benjamin is not to be confused with Benjamin Franklin Laird, born 25 June 1851 who died in 1935.

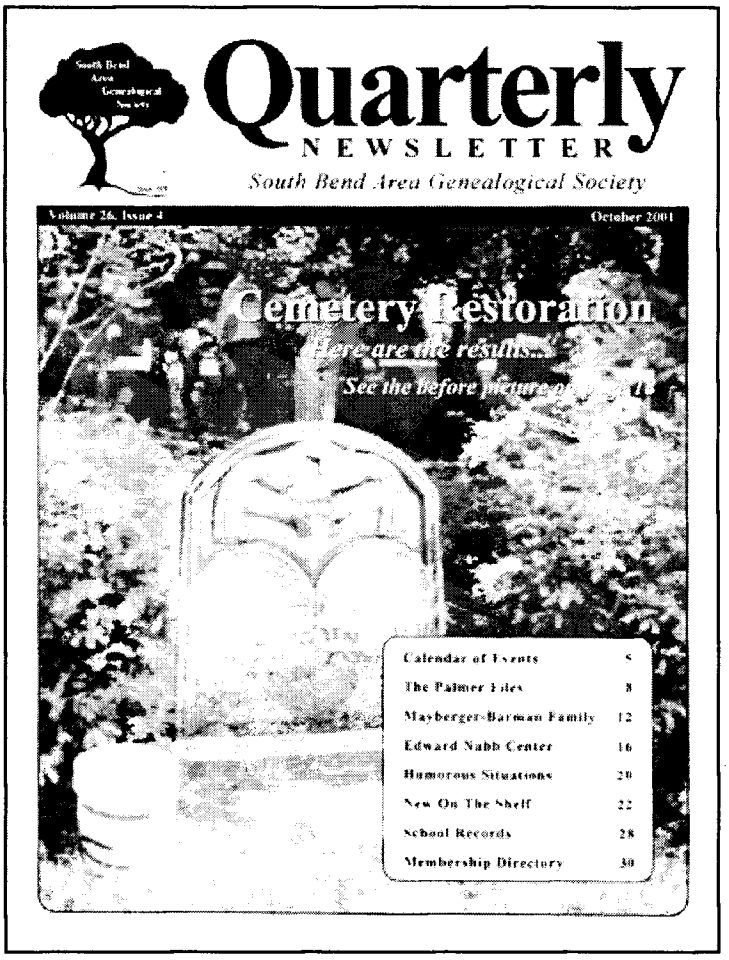
Intrepid researcher that he is, John Herold reported that in the 1860 census Thomas Lord, the elder Benjamin's brother, had a son Benjamin, aged 10, who John C. Barnes omitted in his published transcription of the census because he appears as black. For now, we are assuming that is the Benjamin W. Laird of the tombstone.

As to the other three stones, on Nancy E. Laird's, wonderfully, it states that she is the daughter of Benjamin and Leah Laird. Elisha J. Duncan (1841-1868) married Sarah Jane Parks in 1860, the daughter of Robert and Ilba Windsor Parks. Sarah remarried to Levin J. Wallace in February of 1880, but he passed away in December of that year and is interred in the Cox-Muir Cemetery in Fairmount. The whereabouts of Sarah's final resting place is unknown. Then we come to Thomas Shores who died in 1875 aged about 51 years. The jury is still out on the identity of Thomas as Bob Shores and Becky Miller each think he is someone different.

Thus ends this tale of a cemetery long sought for definitive answers but which only produces more questions. And so it goes.

Westward Bound

The Nabb Research Center was prominently featured in a two-page spread in the October 2001 edition of the *Quarterly Newsletter* of the South Bend (IN) Area Genealogical Society. The author of the article, Bill Minish, a Nabb Research Center member, visited the Center in October 1998 and plans another research trip to the area this fall. Minish's great-great grandfather left Dorchester County to emigrate to Kentucky. Following the American Revolution, many Delmarvans headed west to find their fortunes. With the American Origins project, the Nabb Research Center hopes to someday track this westward migration.



The Littleton Heritage

Some Descendants of Colonel Nathaniel Littleton (1605-1654) of Northampton, Co., Virginia and His Royal Forbears

Nancy Wise of Salem, VA, widow of Dr. Matthew M. Wise, has donated several hundred volumes of *The Littleton Heritage: Some Descendants of Colonel Nathaniel Littleton (1605-1654) of Northampton, Co., Virginia and His Royal Forbears* for the Nabb Research Center to sell. The 527-page, hardback volume has chapters on the following families: Bell, Denwood, Eyre, Fassitt, Gilliss, Littleton, Long, Roach, Robins, Savage, Tazewell, Tingle, Purnell, Waters, Whittington, Wilson, Winder and the Ephraim Wilson family. All families in this meticulously researched book may claim ancestry from the Magna Carta barrons Henry de Bohun, Richard De Clare and Roger Blood, as well as Brian Boru, King of Ireland, 1002-1014, Henry I, King of France, Charlemagne, William the Conqueror and many other recognizable names in history.

THE LITTLETON HERITAGE

Claim your royal heritage by making your check payable to Salisbury University Foundation, Inc. for $35, plus $3 shipping and handling (MD residents must include 5 percent sales tax). Please mail all orders to the Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture, 1101 Camden Avenue, Salisbury, MD 21801.

2002 Maryland Genealogical Society Seminar

"Tracing Your Delmarva Ancestors"

The Maryland Genealogical Society Annual Seminar for 2002 will take place at Salisbury University, September 20-21, 2002. This event is co-hosted by the Lower Delmarva Genealogical Society and the Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture. The theme of this year's seminar is "Tracing Your Delmarva Ancestors" and features prominent speakers on the early settlers of the Delmarva Peninsula and topics of interest to researchers of Delmarva families and genealogists in general. If you are interested in the seminar, please visit the Nabb Research Center's Web site at http://nabbhistory.salisbury.edu or the Maryland Genealogical Society Web site at www.mdgensoc.org for a complete program outline.

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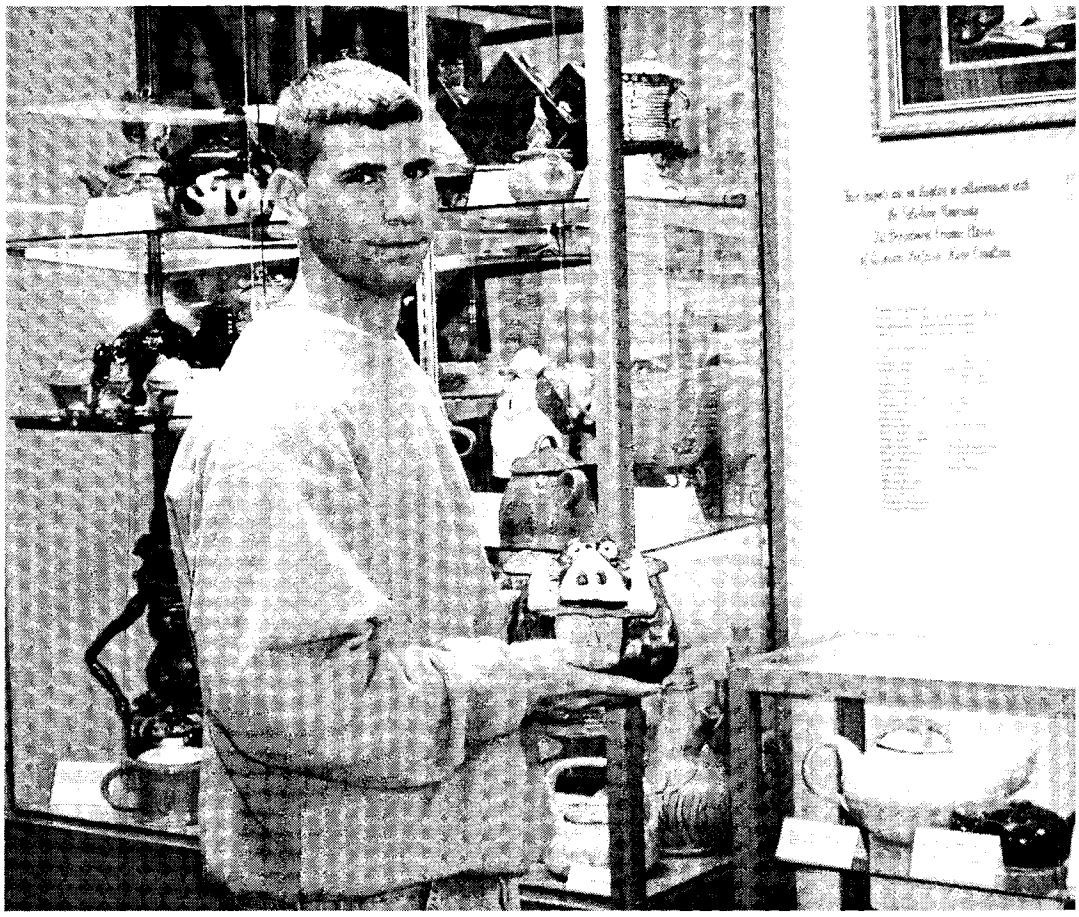
Dr. Polly Stewart, SU English Department and Nabb board member, joins Dr. Michael Taft, folklife specialist from the Library of Congress, who spent several days at the Nabb Research Center assessing the folklore collection. This report will be used to seek grant funding for the preservation of this collection.

Victoria Gaither of WMDT-TV used the Nabb Research Center as the setting for her interview with Dr. Clara Small, Nabb Research Center board member, for a television segment during African American History Month.



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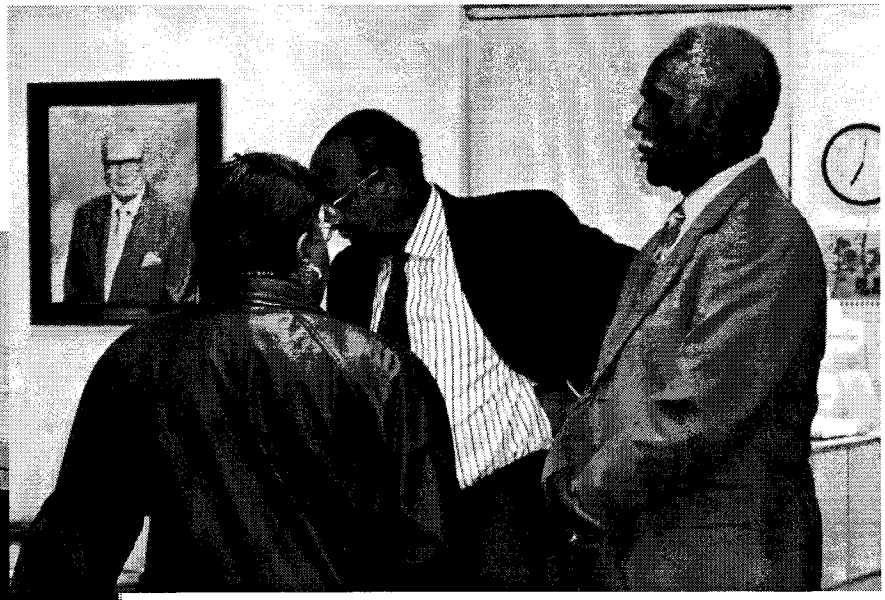
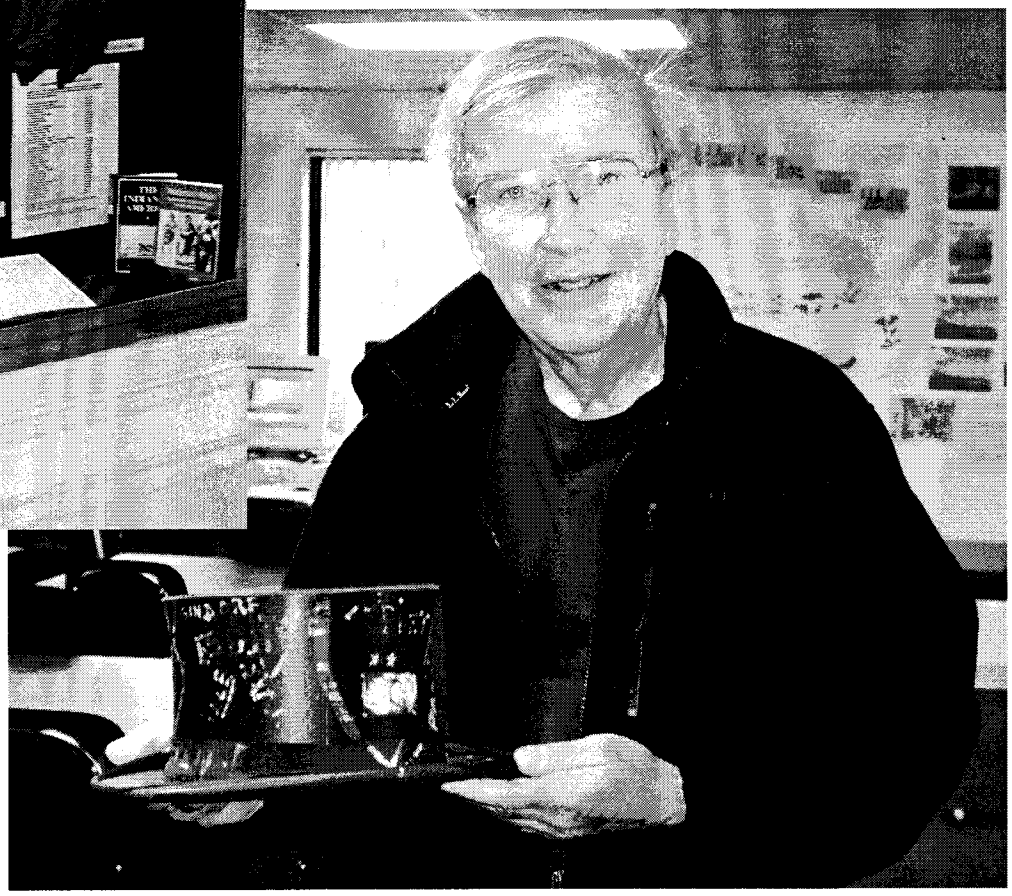


Reverend David Briddell and Dr. and Mrs. DeWayne Whittington at the Nabb Research Center African-American History Month lecture.

In January, Iris Powell and Pam Collins mounted this display in Holloway Hall. The display contained artifacts and images that are representative of the Nabb Center's mission.



David Grier of Salisbury recently donated a World War II era top hat to the Nabb Research Center. The veteran who owned the hat had artfully decorated it with the names of several towns he had visited during his war-time service in Europe.

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The mission of the Edward H. Nabb Research Center for Delmarva History and Culture includes the accumulation, preservation and conservation of the Delmarva region's unique and diverse historical records and resources. Students from SU often gain valuable work experience working at the Nabb Research Center, while giving them an appreciation of cultural heritage and insight into career paths. Interns will have an exciting learning experience while providing needed conservation and arrangement of collection materials at the Research Center. Your contribution to the Nabb Research Center's Perdue-Kresge Challenge campaign will make a permanent archival intern program a reality. Donations should be made to Salisbury University Foundation, noting Nabb Research Center's Perdue-Kresge Challenge, and mailed to: Nabb Research Center, 1101 Camden Ave. Salisbury, MD 21801. Thank you for your continued support.